

died in my Adversity; and they only revived to reduce me once more. How shall I tell you the designing Villain *Maskwell* imposed so much on me, that I became his Surety in a Bond for a much larger Sum than I was worth; the Villain having thus raised a large Sum, immediately made off; the confused Report of his being gone Abroad was too soon confirmed to me, for I was informed by a Letter, That as *Maskwell* was gone Abroad, and the Security of the Bond revolved entirely on me, they must be excused if they very shortly called it in.

What a Blow was this to me! how unpleasing my Prospect! how severe my Reflection! What could I say to my Wife! or how could I comfort her! how could I tell her I had reduced herto as low Circumstances as she had relieved me from how could I reconcile her to the Change! how attempt it! with these Thoughts I immediately quitted my House in Disguise, only taking a sufficient Sum to defray the Expences of my Journey to my Father-in-Laws, but more Misfortunes attended me, or on
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my first Night's Departure, I was attacked and robbed by three Ruffians, who took what little I had, and I have reached this Place through the Charity of Persons in my Journey, of which I have but twenty Miles more to go: indeed said Lady *Kindheart*, your Case is truly deplorable, if you will accept of my Assistance it shall be at your service; for which he thanked her, and she having prepared a Horse for him, he gratefully took his leave and departed for his Father-in Law's, at whose House he arrived about Dinner-time; the old Gentleman surpris'd at the Appearance of one whom he little thought of seeing in those Parts, was struck with Amazement, but what surpris'd him still more was his Dress, so that fearing the worst he immediately asked after his Daughter, *Camillus* replied, she was in very good Health when he left her, at which he seemed more satisfied, and *Camillus* went on with a Recital of his Misfortunes, and the Condition to which he and his Family were likely to be reduced; his Father-in-Law promised to assist him as much as
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